BEFORE THE BOARD OF REGISTERED NURSING DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

NANCY ANN MARSH a.k.a. NANCY ANN HANCOCK 9660 NE Timberlane Place Bainbridge, WA 98110

Registered Nurse License No. 117371 Nurse Anesthetist License No. 740

Respondent

Case No. 2010-587

DECISION AND ORDER

The attached Stipulated Surrender of License and Order is hereby adopted by the Board of Registered Nursing, Department of Consumer Affairs, as its Decision in this matter.

This Decision shall become effective on August 26, 2010.

IT IS SO ORDERED this August 26, 2010.

President

Board of Registered Nursing Department of Consumer Affairs

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State of California

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8	BOARD OF REGISTERED NURSING								
9	DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA								
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11	In the Matter of the Accusation Against: Case No. 2010-587								
12	NANCY ANN MARSH, AKA NANCY ANN HANCOCK								
13	9660 NE Timberlane Place STIPULATED SURRENDER OF								
	Registered Nurse License No. 117371								
14	Nurse Anesthetist License No. 740								
1,5	Respondent.								
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17	IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and between the parties in this								
18	proceeding that the following matters are true:								
19	<u>PARTIES</u>								
20	1. Louise R. Bailey, M.Ed., RN (Complainant) is the Interim Executive Officer of the								
21	Board of Registered Nursing (Board), Department of Consumer Affairs, State of California. She								
22	brought this action solely in her official capacity and is represented in this matter by Edmund G.								
23	Brown Jr., Attorney General of the State of California, by Linda L. Sun, Deputy Attorney								
24	General.								
25	2. Nancy Ann Marsh, aka Nancy Ann Hancock (Respondent) is represented in this								
26	proceeding by attorney Jeff Rogers, whose address is 393 E. Walnut, Second Floor, Pasadena,								
27	California 91188.								
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- 3. On or about January 8, 1959, the Board issued Registered Nurse License No. 117371 to Respondent. The Registered Nurse License was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought herein and will expire on May 31, 2010, unless renewed.
- 4. On or about July 17, 1984, the Board issued Nurse Anesthetist License No. 740 to Respondent. The Nurse Anesthetist License expired on May 31, 2008 and has not been renewed.

JURISDICTION

5. Accusation No. 2010-587 was filed before the Board, and is currently pending against Respondent. The Accusation and all other statutorily required documents were properly served on Respondent on May 12, 2010. Respondent timely filed her Notice of Defense contesting the Accusation. A copy of Accusation No. 2010-587 is attached as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference.

ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS

- 6. Respondent has carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and understands the charges and allegations in Accusation No. 2010-587. Respondent also has carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and understands the effects of this Stipulated Surrender of License and Order.
- 7. Respondent is fully aware of her legal rights in this matter, including the right to a hearing on the charges and allegations in the Accusation; the right to be represented by counsel, at her own expense; the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against her; the right to present evidence and to testify on her own behalf; the right to the issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents; the right to reconsideration and court review of an adverse decision; and all other rights accorded by the California Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable laws.
- 8. Respondent voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently waives and gives up each and every right set forth above.

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CULPABILITY

- 9. Respondent understands that the charges and allegations in Accusation No. 2010-587, if proven at a hearing, constitute cause for imposing discipline and hereby surrenders her Registered Nurse License No. 117371 and her Nurse Anesthetist License No. 740 for the Board's formal acceptance.
- 10. Respondent understands that by signing this stipulation she enables the Board to issue an order accepting the surrender of her Registered Nurse License and Nurse Anesthetist License without further process.

CONTINGENCY

- 11. This stipulation shall be subject to approval by the Board of Registered Nursing. Respondent understands and agrees that counsel for Complainant and the staff of the Board of Registered Nursing may communicate directly with the Board regarding this stipulation and surrender, without notice to or participation by Respondent or her counsel. By signing the stipulation, Respondent understands and agrees that she may not withdraw her agreement or seek to rescind the stipulation prior to the time the Board considers and acts upon it. If the Board fails to adopt this stipulation as its Decision and Order, the Stipulated Surrender and Disciplinary Order shall be of no force or effect, except for this paragraph, it shall be inadmissible in any legal action between the parties, and the Board shall not be disqualified from further action by having considered this matter.
- 12. The parties understand and agree that facsimile copies of this Stipulated Surrender of License and Order, including facsimile signatures thereto, shall have the same force and effect as the originals.
- 13. This Stipulated Surrender of License and Order is intended by the parties to be an integrated writing representing the complete, final, and exclusive embodiment of their agreement. It supersedes any and all prior or contemporaneous agreements, understandings, discussions, negotiations, and commitments (written or oral). This Stipulated Surrender of License and Order may not be altered, amended, modified, supplemented, or otherwise changed except by a writing executed by an authorized representative of each of the parties.

14. In consideration of the foregoing admissions and stipulations, the parties agree that the Board may, without further notice or formal proceeding, issue and enter the following Order:

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Registered Nurse License No. 117371 and Nurse Anesthetist License No. 740 issued to Respondent Nancy Ann Marsh, aka Nancy Ann Hancock, are surrendered and accepted by the Board of Registered Nursing.

- 15. The surrender of Respondent's Registered Nurse License and Nurse Anesthetist License and the acceptance of the surrendered licenses by the Board shall constitute the imposition of discipline against Respondent. This stipulation constitutes a record of the discipline and shall become a part of Respondent's license history with the Board.
- 16. Respondent shall lose all rights and privileges as a registered nurse in California as of the effective date of the Board's Decision and Order.
- 17. Respondent shall cause to be delivered to the Board both her wall license certificates and, if one was issued, pocket licenses on or before the effective date of the Decision and Order.
- 18. If Respondent ever files an application for licensure or a petition for reinstatement in the State of California, the Board shall treat it as a petition for reinstatement. Respondent must comply with all the laws, regulations and procedures for reinstatement of a revoked license in effect at the time the petition is filed, and all of the charges and allegations contained in Accusation No. 2010-587 shall be deemed to be true, correct and admitted by Respondent when the Board determines whether to grant or deny the petition.
- 19. Upon reinstatement of the license, Respondent shall pay to the Board costs associated with its investigation and enforcement pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 125.3 in the amount of four thousand dollars (\$4,000.00). Respondent shall be permitted to pay these costs in a payment plan approved by the Board.
- 20. Respondent shall not apply for licensure or petition for reinstatement for two (2) years from the effective date of the Board of Registered Nursing's Decision and Order.

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Stipulated Surrouder of License (Case No. 2010-587)

Exhibit A

Accusation No. 2010-587

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12	NANCY H. MARSH, AKA NANCY ANN HANGOCK								
13	8778 1/2 Wyngate Street Sunland, CA 91040	ACCUSATION							
14	Registered Nurse License No. 117371 Nurse Anesthetist License No. 740								
15	Respondent.								
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17	Complainant alleges:								
18	PARTIES								
19	Louise R. Bailey, M.Ed., RN (Comp	lainant) brings this Accusation solely in her							
20	official capacity as the Interim Executive Office	r of the Board of Registered Nursing (Board),							
21	Department of Consumer Affairs.								
22	2. On or about January 8, 1959, the Bo	ard issued Registered Nurse License No. 117371							
23	Nancy Ann Hancock, who is now known as Nancy H. Marsh (Respondent). The Registered								
24	Nurse License was in full force and effect at all	times relevant to the charges brought herein and							
25	will expire on May 31, 2010, unless renewed.								
26	3. On or about July 17, 1984, the Boar	d issued Nurse Anesthetist License No. 740 to							
27 28	Respondent. The Nurse Anesthetist License expired on May 31, 2008 and has not been renewed.								
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JURISDICTION

- 4. This Accusation is brought before the Board under the authority of the following laws. All section references are to the Business and Professions Code (Code) unless otherwise indicated.
- 5. Section 2750 of the Code provides, in pertinent part, that the Board may discipline any licensee, including a licensee holding a temporary or an inactive license, for any reason provided in Article 3 (commencing with section 2750) of the Nursing Practice Act.
- 6. Section 2764 of the Code provides, in pertinent part, that the expiration of a license shall not deprive the Board of jurisdiction to proceed with a disciplinary proceeding against the licensee or to render a decision imposing discipline on the license. Under section 2811(b) of the Code, the Board may renew an expired license at any time within eight years after the expiration.
 - 7. Section 2761 of the Code states:

"The board may take disciplinary action against a certified of licensed nurse or deny an application for a certificate or license for any of the following:

"(a) Unprofessional conduct, ..."

COST RECOVERY PROVISION

8. Section 125.3 of the Code provides, in pertinent part, that the Board may request the administrative law judge to direct a licentiate found to have committed a violation or violations of the licensing act to pay a sum not to exceed the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of the case.

PATIENT E.M.

9. At all times relevant to the matter herein, Respondent was a nurse anesthetist employed at Kaiser Permanente Panorama City Medical Center, California. On or about May 11, 2006, E.M. was a 58 year-old patient with chronic ear drum problems who was admitted to Kaiser Permanente's Day Surgery Center to undergo an elective tympanoplasty surgery. At abut 0730 hours, Patient E.M. was brought to the operating room. Respondent set up the operating room

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equipment (EKG, oxygen saturation monitor, precordial, capnograph monitor, temperature and blood pressure cuff) and began the induction of anesthesia after Patient E.M. was intubated.

10. Between 0730 to 0745 hours, Patient E.M. received 5 liters of oxygen and the oxygen saturation was 100%. Respondent bagged Patient E.M. two to three times before starting the anesthesia ventilator in automatic. Between 0805 to 0810 hours, after the intubation and induction of anesthesia, Respondent turned the table with Patient E.M. on it 180 degrees, and repositioned the monitors. At 0810 hours, while Patient's E.M.'s table was being turned, his oxygen saturation dropped significantly to 80%. The alarms did not sound. After Respondent returned to the foot of the table, she noticed a flat line and escape only on the EKG monitor. She notified the surgeon in the operating room and a Code Blue was called at about 0830 hours. Patient E.M.'s vital signs were restored but suffered irreversible brain damage and eventually passed away.

11. A comparison between the vital signs computer print out and Respondent's charting on the Intraoperative Record shows an example of the following discrepancies:

Vital Signs Print-Out

TIME	8:00	8:05	8:10	8:15	8:20	8:25	8:30
HR	81	84	94	54	73	32	19
NBP S	130	112	110	104	91		179
NBP D	92	66	71	49	67		161
Sp02	90	94	80	36	28	65	42

Intraoperative Record (charted by Respondent)

TIME	8:00	8:05	8:10	8:15	8:20	8:25	8:30
HR	66	66	83	80	74	74	
NBP S	130	113	113	105	105	95	
NBP D	60	60	65	59	65	59	
Sp02	98	97	97	97	9,8	98	·
EtCO2	36	35	35	35			

¹ The precordial is a small device which includes a tubing connected to an earpiece that allows the anesthetist to hear the patient's heart beat and breath sounds when placed on the patient's chest.

The capnograph measures the exhaled end-tidal carbon dioxide or EtCO2.

CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE (Unprofessional Conduct) Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under Code section 2761, subdivision (a) in that Respondent committed unprofessional conduct in her treatment of Patient E.M. The circumstances are as follows: 13. On or about May 11, 2006, Respondent charted inconsistent and/or inaccurate entries on Patient E.M.'s Intraoperative Record. Complainant refers to and incorporates all the allegations contained in paragraphs 9-11, as though set forth fully. PRAYER WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters herein alleged, and that following the hearing, the Board of Registered Nursing issue a decision: Revoking or suspending Registered Nurse License Number 117371, issued to Nancy Ann Marsh, aka Nancy Ann Hancock; Ordering Nancy Ann Marsh, aka Nancy Ann Hancock to pay the Board of Registered Nursing the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of this case, pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 125.3; Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper. DATED: LOUISE R. BAILEY, M.ED., R.N Interim Executive Officer Board of Registered Nursing State of California Complainant LA2009604716 60523421.doc

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